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NORTH DAKOTA LOTTERY "2BY2" LAUNCH A HUGE SUCCESS - JACKPOT WON ON SATURDAY NIGHT

Bismarck- Last week's launch of the North Dakota Lottery's fourth multi-state lotto game, 2by2, was a huge success, with first day ticket sales beating out the combined daily sales of the other two states participating in the game. North Dakota had Thursday night draw sales of \$14,674, while Kansas and Nebraska combined could only manage sales of \$14,173.

2by2 has already proved lucky for North Dakota players. Of the 8,128 winning tickets for Thursday's first day draw – 4,085 were sold in North Dakota. Although there were no jackpot winners in any participating state on Thursday, it didn't take long for Lady Luck to work her magic. On Saturday night, a 2by2 jackpot ticket was sold at Farmers Union Oil, in Bowman. It was the only 2by2 jackpot won in Saturday's draw, and the player is now \$20,000 richer. The retailer will receive a \$500 bonus after the ticket is claimed.

2by2 is unique from the other multi-state games available in North Dakota as it has draws 6 days per week, Monday through Saturday. It also has the best odds of winning a prize, 1 in 3.59.

The Lottery is conducting a "Get 6 Draws for the Price of 5" promotion in conjunction with the beginning of the 2by2 game. Through February 16, 2006, players can purchase a single play/6 draw ticket for the discounted price of \$5.

The winning 2by2 numbers can be found on the Lottery's webpage, www.ndlottery.org, by calling (701) 328-1111, and many ND newspapers.

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